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#### GOVERNMENT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH

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NOTIFICATIONS

Simla-171002, the 9th February, 1978

No. LLR-D (6) 32/77.—The Himachal Pradesh State Legislature Proceedings (Protection of Publication) Bill, 1977 (Bill No. 19 of 1977) after having received the assent of the Governor of Himachal Pradesh on the

7th February, 1978 is hereby published in the Rajpatra, Himachal Pradesh as Act No. 3 of 1978 for the information of general public.

JAI CHAND MALHOTRA, Secretary

Act No. 3 of 1978.

## THE HIMACHAL PRADESH STATE LEGISLATURE PROCEEDINGS (PROTECTION OF PUBLICATION) ACT, 1977

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#### ACT

to protect the publication of reports of proceedings of the Himachal Pradesh State Legislature.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of Himachal Pradesh in the Twenty-eighth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Himachal Pradesh State Legislature Proceedings (Protection of Publication) Act, 1977.

Short title and commencement.

- (2) It shall come into force at once.
- 2. In this Act "newspapers" means any printed periodical work containing public news or comments on public news, and includes a news agency supplying material for publication in a newspaper.

Definition.

3. (1) Save as otherwise provided in sub-section (2), no person shall be liable to any proceedings, civil or criminal, in any court in respect of the publication in a newspaper of a substantially true report of any proceedings of the Himachal Pradesh State Legislature, unless the publication is proved to have been made with malice.

Publication of reports of Himachal Pradesh State Legislature proceedings

privilege.

- (2) Nothing in sub-section (1) shall be construed as protecting the publication of any matter, the publication of which is not for the public good.
- 4. The Act shall apply in relation to reports or matters broadcast by means of wireless telegraphy as part of any programme or service provided by means of a broadcasting station as it applied in relation to reports or matters published in a newspaper.

Act also to apply to Himachal Pradesh State Legislature proceedings broadcast by wireles telegraphy.

#### Simla-171002, the 9th February, 1978

No. LLR-D (6) 24/77.—The Himachal Pradesh Abolition of Land Revenue on Un-economic Holdings Bill, 1977 (Bill No. 20 of 1977) after having received the assent of the Governor of Himachal Pradesh on the 7th February, 1978 is hereby published in the Rajpatra, Himachal Pradesh as Act No. 2 of 1978 for the information of general public.

JAI CHAND MALHOTRA, Secretary (Law).

Act No. 2 of 1978.

### THE HIMACHAL PRADESH ABOLITION OF LAND REVENUE ON UN-ECONOMIC HOLDINGS Act, 1977

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#### **ACT**

to provide for abolition of land revenue on un-economic holdings in Himachal Pradesh.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of Himachal Pradesh in the Twenty-eighth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

- 1. (1) This Act may be called the Himachal Pradesh Abolition of Land Revenue on Un-economic Holdings Act, 1977.
  - (2) It shall come into force at once.
  - 2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

Definitions.

mencement.

Short title and com-

- (a) "land holding" means the total land in the State in possession of a person whether as owner, mortgagee, lessee, tenant or in any other lawful capacity and if such a person holds land jointly with others, his share in such holding;
- (b) "un-economic holding" means a land holding which does not exceed two and a half acres and comprises of unirrigated cultivated land or of such land which has been recorded as "banjar kadim", "banjar jadid" or grass lands, by whatever name called i.e. "ghasnis", "kharetars", "rutas" etc., but does not include land under orchards or built up areas assessed to land revenue;

(c) all other terms and expressions used herein, but not defined in this Act, shall have the same meanings as assigned to them in

the Himachal Pradesh Land Revenue Act, 1953.

3. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Himachal Pradesh Land Revenue Act, 1953, the land revenue on un-economic holdings shall stand abolished from Rabi 1977; and, the landowner who at the commencement of this Act holds un-economic holding shall not be liable to pay any land revenue in respect of his land holding to the State.

Abolition of land revenue on un-sconomic holdings.

Bar on certain trans-

fers.

- 4. (1) All transfers of land made after the 4th day of July, 1977, except the transfer of land made to the Union Government or to the State Government or a bona fide transfer by a land holder or any transfer of land by operation of law, to defeat the purpose of the Act, shall not affect the liability of the landholder to pay the land revenue to the State.
- (2) The Collector of the District in which such transfer or transfers take place, shall determine whether a transfer is bona fide or not and his decision shall be final.

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Power to remove difficulty.

5. If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of this Act, the State Government may, by order to be published in the Official Gazette, or otherwise, make such provisions, or give such directions, not inconsistent with this Act, as may appear to it to be necessary or expedient for the removal of such difficulty.

Repeal and savings.

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- 6. (1) The Himachal Pradesh Abolition of Land Revenue on Un-economic Holdings Ordinance, 1977 is hereby repealed.
- (2) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or any action taken under the aforesaid Ordinance shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of this Act as if this Act was in force on the day on which such thing was done or action was taken.